

What is claimed is:

1. An analysis apparatus for spotting a sample on the dry analysis element and analyzing the sample for its composition by measurement and calculation based on analytical information corresponding to the element information, the analysis apparatus comprising a reading device for reading out element information attached to a dry analysis element, wherein:

the element information attached to the dry analysis element includes at least reagent lot information for correcting reagent-lot-specific variations; and

the analysis apparatus has an error handling function to calculate the analysis result based on pre-obtained analytical information corresponding to the reagent lot and add the a caution mark to the analysis result to attract attention, when the reagent lot information is not read out successfully.

2. An automatic analysis apparatus for spotting a sample on the dry analysis element and analyzing the sample for its composition by measurement and calculation based on analytical information corresponding to the element information, the automatic analysis apparatus comprising a reading device for reading out element information attached to a dry analysis element, wherein:

the element information attached to the dry analysis element includes reagent type information defining a

measuring item, and reagent lot information for correcting reagent-lot-specific variations;

the reading device can read out the reagent type information during reading the element information; and

5 the automatic analysis apparatus has an error handling function to calculate the analysis result based on pre-obtained analytical information corresponding to the reagent lot and add the a caution mark to the analysis result to attract attention, when the reagent lot
10 information is not read out successfully.

3. An analysis apparatus according to Claim 1, further having a re-calculation function to re-calculate the analysis result when normal reagent lot information is input to correct the analysis result to which the caution
15 mark was added.

4. An analysis apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the dry analysis element is attached with the element information in the form of an arrayed pattern of dots.

20 5. An automatic analysis apparatus for spotting a sample on the dry analysis element and analyzing the sample for its composition by measurement and calculation based on analytical information corresponding to the element information, the automatic analysis apparatus comprising a
25 reading device for reading out element information attached to a dry analysis element, wherein:

the element information attached to the dry analysis element includes reagent type information defining a measuring item, and reagent lot information for correcting reagent-lot-specific variations;

5 the reading device can read out the reagent type information during reading the element information; and

the automatic analysis apparatus has an error handling function to calculate the analysis result based on pre-obtained analytical information corresponding to the reagent lot and add the a caution mark to the analysis result to attract attention, when the reagent lot information is not read out successfully.

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6. An automatic analysis apparatus according to Claim 5, further having a re-calculation function to re-calculate the analysis result when normal reagent lot information is input to correct the analysis result to which the caution mark was added.

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7. An automatic analysis apparatus according to Claim 5, wherein the dry analysis element is attached with the element information in the form of an arrayed pattern of dots.

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8. An automatic analysis apparatus for spotting a sample on a dry analysis element and analyzing the sample for its composition by measurement and calculation based on analytical information corresponding to element information attached to the dry analysis element, the automatic

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analysis apparatus comprising a reading device for reading out the element information, wherein:

the element information attached to the dry analysis element includes reagent type information defining a measuring item, and reagent lot information for correcting reagent-lot-specific variations;

the element information readout processing by the reading device is previously set to disregard a reagent lot of a specific reagent type; and

the automatic analysis apparatus further has a function to subject the dry analysis element, from which the reading device reads the reagent type information designated to disregard the reagent lot, to calculation processing for determining the analysis result based on pre-obtained analytical information irrespective of the condition when the reagent lot information is read.

9. An automatic analysis apparatus according to Claim 8, wherein the dry analysis element is attached with the element information of the dry analysis element in the form of an arrayed pattern of dots.